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# AVOCADOS

## FLORIDA AGRICULTURE



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**FLORIDA:** The forecast of avocados for certified shipments is continued at 900,000 bushels. If realized this will be the second largest crop in four seasons surpassed only by last season's 1,005,000 bushels shipped.

Estimated total shipments through January total 887,300 bushels. Weekly shipments are declining as the season is almost over.

**CALIFORNIA:** Shipments as reported by the California Avocado Commission for the first three months of the season total 948,000 bushel equivalents, slightly more than last season to the same date. The total crop is projected to be about nine percent smaller than the previous season.

**FLORIDA:** Estimated certified shipments of avocados, 2001-02 season, with comparisons - Season: April 1 - March 31

Season	Shipments through January	Remaining to be shipped	Total shipments
Bushels			
Certified:			
1991-92	1,091,300	19,700	1,111,000
1992-93	274,700	9,300	284,000
1993-94	165,500	9,500	175,000
1994-95	762,700	16,300	779,000
1995-96	731,800	12,200	744,000
1996-97	887,800	30,200	918,000
1997-98	935,500	2,500	938,000
1998-99	876,700	14,300	891,000
1999-00	838,700	4,300	843,000
2000-01	992,200	12,800	1,005,000
Estimated:			
2001-02	887,300	12,700	900,000

**CALIFORNIA:** Estimated avocado shipments, 2001-02 season, with comparisons - Season: November 1 - October 31

Variety	2000-01	2001-02 season		
	Total shipments	Shipments through February 4	Remaining to be shipped	Estimated total shipments
Bushels 1/				
Fuerte	97,000	40,000	80,000	120,000
Hass	8,029,000	725,000	6,541,000	7,266,000
Other	579,000	183,000	379,000	562,000
Total	8,705,000	948,000	7,000,000	7,948,000

1/ Pounds converted to bushels at 50 pound equivalents.